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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action mailed August 26, 2002 for the above-captioned application, please make the following amendments:

In the claims:

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Please amend the claims as to read follows:

14. (amended) A method for diagnosing possible presence of gastritis in a human by evaluating a blood sample comprising the steps of:

assaying the blood sample for the presence of antibodies specific for H,K-ATPase,

assaying the blood sample for the presence of antibodies specific for Helicobacter pylori,

assaying the blood sample for the concentration of pepsinogen I, and

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